

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 57, S. 2020

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CANCELLING AND SUSPENDING MAJOR PUBLIC GATHERINGS IN THE CITY OF BAGUIO AS PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE AGAINST CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, through Proclamation No. 922, has declared a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines, in light of confirmed local transmission cases of Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19) within the country;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2 of Proclamation No. 922, local government units are enjoined to "render full assistance and cooperation, and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the Covid-19 threat";

WHEREAS, after assessment among the members of the Inter-Agency Task Force, it has been concluded that the health, safety, and welfare of the constituents of the city must take imperative and utmost importance;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government Code, the local government is duty-bound to ensure the comfort, health, and safety of its constituents;

WHEREAS, as part of precautionary measures already being undertaken by the city government, further caution must be exercised in light of increasing numbers of Covid-19 positive cases within the country;

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN B. MAGALONG, City Mayor, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. CANCELLATION OF PANAGBENGA 2020. The Panagbenga 2020 Festival is hereby cancelled. All major public events in connection thereto, including the Grand Opening Parade, Grand Street Parade, Grand Float Parade, and Session Road in Bloom will no longer be staged. The organizers of all other events that are currently being conducted are instructed to windup their activities. Organizers, participants, and patrons of these continuing events are reminded to strictly follow all Covid-19 precautionary guidelines as prescribed by the DOH;

SECTION 2. SUSPENSION OF NIGHT MARKET OPERATION ALONG HARRISON ROAD. Night Market operations along Harrison Road are suspended from 10 March 2020 to 25 March 2020, subject to further guidelines and directives that may be released by the National Government, DOH, and or upon assessment of the Covid-19 Inter-Agency Task Force;

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SECTION 3. SUSPENSION OF THE CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (CARAA) GAMES. In furtherance of DEPED Memorandum No. 34, Series of 2020, the CARAA Games supposedly to be conducted in Baguio City in the month of March is hereby suspended until further notice;

SECTION 4. SUSPENSION OF SUNDAY SESSION PEDESTRIANIZATION. Sunday Session Pedestrianization is hereby suspended until further notice, subject to further guidelines and directives that may be released by the National Government, DOH, or upon assessment of the Covid-19 Inter-Agency Task Force;

SECTION 5. REMINDING THE BARANGAY HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS (BHERTs) TO IMPLEMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 33, SERIES OF 2020. The directive to all BHERTs to survey and monitor persons who have recent travel history to Covid-19 affected areas is strongly reiterated;

SECTION 6. URGING CITIZENS TO STRICTLY FOLLOW PREVENTIVE AND PRECAUTIONARY PRACTICES AS PRESCRIBED BY THE DOH. All residents and tourists are urged to practice proper hygiene and sanitation in order to prevent the transmission of Covid-19.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Issued this 10th day of March 2020 in Baguio City, Philippines.

BENJAMIN B. MAGALONG City Mayor